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Weekly Black Sea Bass Quota Report (No. 49)

Black Sea Bass Landings and Commercial Quota (Pounds) for Quarter IV
(Oct-Dec1999).

State	Late Entries	Week Ending 11-DEC-99	Period Cumulative Total (to date)	1999 Quarter IV Quota	Percent Landed
ME	0	0	0		
NH	0	0	0		
MA	1,382	22	103,994		
RI	0	3,578	61,603		
CT	0	165	1,791		
NY	349	2,919	39,615		
NJ	3,513	12,174	87,502		
DE	3,411	7,535	25,282		
MD	953	18,613	113,608		
VA	1,007	11,950	127,687		
NC	0	1,332	16,484		
TOTAL	10,615	58,288	577,566	598,043	96.6

Notes:

Effective 0001 hrs on December 20, 1999, fishing vessels issued a Federal moratorium permit for the black sea bass fishery may no longer land black sea bass for the remainder of the Quarter 4 period.

If negative late entries are present on this report, they are the result of corrections made to the database.

For the week ending **11-DEC-99**, 209 dealers held a federal black sea bass permit. Of those 209 dealers, 150 (72%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary. Data supplied by the State of Massachusetts are as of November 27, 1999.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Black Sea Bass

- This table is to be used for informational purposes only, and should not be relied on for state regulations. That information should be attained directly from the individual states.

State/ Commonwealth	Closure status	Trip/Possession Limits (pounds)	Other Provisions/ Pending Changes	State Contact
Maine				Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts		1,000 lbs trip limit		Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 10/1/99 the possession limit is 4,000 lbs.		Jenifer Temple 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut				Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York				John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey				Tom McCloy 609-292-2083
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782
Maryland				Harley Speir 410-260-8303
Virginia				Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243
North Carolina				Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021